

In claim ~~9~~, line 1, please remove "or 8".

In claim ~~11~~, line 1, please remove "or 10".

In claim ~~12~~, line 1, please replace "according to any one of claims 9 to 11" with –
according to claim 9--.

In claim ~~13~~, line 1, please replace "according to any one of claims 7 to 12" with
–according to claim 7--.



REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to insert an abstract page into the application and to remove multiple dependencies from the following claims: 3, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12, and 13.

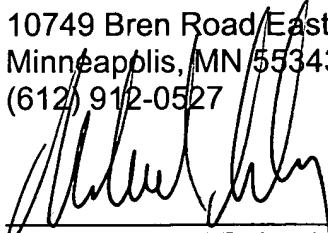
Applicant respectfully requests that this preliminary amendment be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at (952) 912-0527.

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